

LIST OF CURRENT CLAIMS

1. - (Currently Amended) Method for manufacturing visual communication panels comprising a support, that is to be provided on at least one side with a skin coating made of porcelain or vitreous enamelled metal glazed at temperatures above 500°C, comprising the steps: applying a continuous skin coating layer of porcelain or vitreous enamelled metal on at least one side of a continuous support in the form of a plating ; gluing the skin coating layer on the support; [[in]] pressing the skin coating layer against the support to form a continuous panel with the required thickness; and finally, optionally, sawing the resulting continuous panel into individual panels having desired dimensions.
2. - (Currently Amended) Method according to claim 1, wherein the continuous support is provided with a continuous skin coating layer on either side, and wherein at least one skin coating layer is formed of porcelain or vitreous enamelled metal glazed at temperatures above 500°C.
3. - (Currently Amended) Method according to claim 1, wherein for pressing on each skin coating layer, the support is synchronously led through a laminating device together with each skin coating layer, and wherein each continuous skin coating layer is unwound from a roll.
4. - (Currently Amended) Method according to claim 3, wherein each skin coating layer is heated before being led into the laminating device.
5. - (Currently Amended) Method according to claim 2, wherein between the support and each skin coating layer there is provided a layer of glue.
6. - (Previously Presented) Method according to claim 5, wherein each layer of glue comprises a cold glue.
7. - (Previously Presented) Method according to claim 5, wherein each layer of glue

comprises a hot glue which melts under the influence of heat and congeals again when cooled.

8. - (Previously Presented) Method according to claim 7, wherein the layer of glue is based on a hot glue in the form of a hot-melt adhesive.

9. - (Previously Presented) Method according to claim 7, wherein the layer of glue comprises polymers in the form of hot-melt adhesive granules or powders.

10. - (Currently Amended) Method according to claim 3, wherein the support and each skin coating layer is subsequently heated and cooled again.

11. - (Currently Amended) Method according to claim 3, wherein each layer of glue is formed of an adhesive film wound on a roll and which is fed through the laminating device together with and between the support and each respective skin coating layer.

12. - (Currently Amended) Method according to claim 11, wherein each layer of glue is provided on at least one of the support and each skin coating layer.

13. - (Previously Presented) Method according to claim 5, wherein each layer of glue is obtained from adhesive granules which are extruded to form an adhesive film.

14. - (Previously Presented) Method according to claim 5, wherein the process for obtaining each layer of glue is selected from the group consisting of: spraying, curtain coating, roller coating, silkscreen printing, stencilling and powdering.

15. - (Previously Presented) Method according to claim 14, wherein the support, when being supplied, is already provided with a layer of glue, or in that the material of the supplied support comprises gluing components or has gluing properties.

16. - (Currently Amended) Device for manufacturing visual communication panels according to the method of claim 3, comprising a transport table providing a continuous

support; at least one roll of a continuous skin coating layer which is formed of a continuous layer of porcelain or vitreous enamelled metal; a laminating device through which the support and the skin coating layer are led; a gluing means for gluing the skin coating layer to the support; and optionally a sawing device downstream of the laminating device.

17. - (Currently Amended) Device according to claim 16, including two rolls of a skin coating layer, of which at least one skin coating layer is formed of porcelain or vitreous [[an]] enamelled metal, wherein the support is movable through the laminating device between the skin coating layers and wherein the glue applying means is arranged to apply a layer of glue between the support and both skin coating layers.

18. - (Currently Amended) Device according to claim 16, including: one or more heating appliances which are provided opposite to the skin coating layer or layers.

19. - (Previously Presented) Device according to claim 16, wherein the laminating device is formed of a table and an endless belt opposite to said table, and of two endless belts erected opposite to one another, wherein the laminating device is provided with heating elements and with cooling elements.

20. - (Currently Amended) Device according to claim 16, wherein glue applying means comprises one or two rolls carrying an adhesive film, wherein the or each adhesive film is lead through the laminating device between the support and a respective skin coating layer.

21. - (Currently Amended) Device according to claim 16, wherein the glue applying means (17) is formed of at least one extruding application which is fed with adhesive granules.

22. - (Previously Presented) Device according to claim 16, wherein the glue applying means comprises one or more appliances for applying glue selected from the group consisting of spraying, curtain coating, roller coating, silkscreen printing, stencilling and

scattering glue.

23. (New) Method according to claim 1, wherein the support is manufactured synchronously with the visual communication panel.

24. (New) Method according to claim 16, wherein the support is manufactured in the form of a honeycomb structure of synthetic material by at least extruding the synthetic material resulting in a foil and by moulding this foil in a press and by folding the moulded foil in a folding installation and a laminating device.

25. (New) Method according to claim 17, wherein the layer of glue is formed of an adhesive film wound on a roll and which is fed through a laminating device as of this roll together with and between the support and the respective skin layer or layers.